

## **WINGSPAN ELECTS SNELL & WILMER ATTORNEY JILL PERRELLA TO BOARD**

**TUCSON (April 29, 2013)** – Snell & Wilmer is pleased to announce that Tucson attorney Jill H. Perrella has been elected to the board of directors of Wingspan, a not-for-profit charitable organization dedicated to promoting the freedom, equality, safety and well-being of Southern Arizona’s lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) residents.

Wingspan envisions a community in which LGBT residents are treated with dignity and respect; live in a community free from violence and abuse; live full, healthy and interconnected lives; are free to live openly with pride; are celebrated in their full diversity; feel part of an organized, supportive and active community; and are empowered to participate fully as active citizens.

Perrella, an associate in the firm’s bankruptcy group, represents creditors and debtors in complex commercial bankruptcy cases and works in the areas of commercial litigation and foreclosure and collection. Perrella provides pro bono service through the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Self-Help Center and the Southern Arizona Legal Aid Volunteer Lawyers Program. In 2007, she was selected as one of four McCleary Law Fellows by the Human Rights Campaign, the nation’s largest LGBT civil rights organization. During this time, Perrella worked with HRC attorneys, outside counsel from major national law firms, lobbyists, organizational allies and congressional and White House staff members on legislative, regulatory and internal corporate matters, advocacy and national coalition building.

Perrella earned a B.A. in Journalism, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Arizona. There, she served as a news and feature writer and administrative assistant for the *Arizona Daily Wildcat* and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity. She earned her *Juris Doctor* degree at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, where she was recognized for Excellence in First-Year Legal Writing and was named a Writing Fellow.

### **About Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.**

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